The responses to bidders' inquiries are provided for the bidders' convenience only. In some instances, the question and answer may represent a summary of the matters discussed rather than a word-for-word recitation. The responses may be considered along with all other information furnished to prospective bidders for the purpose of bidding on the project. The availability or use of information provided in the responses to contractors' inquiries is not to be construed in any way as a waiver of the provisions of Section 2-1.03 of the Standard Specifications or any other provision of the contract, the plans, Standard Specifications or Special Provisions, nor to excuse the contractor from full compliance with those contract requirements. Bidders are cautioned that subsequent responses or contract addenda may affect or vary a response previously given. Inquiries along with responses may be posted at the website only when the inquiries are submitted in any of the acceptable manner prescribed under the Notice to the Contractors and when the responses have already been communicated to the individual inquirers. Bidders' inquiries received over the phone must be followed-up and submitted in writing for an official response.

The Bidders' inquiries and Responses may be updated from time to time and bidders are enjoined to check the website regularly and immediately prior to the scheduled bid opening.

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Send Contractor Inquiries via email to <a href="mailto:d8 pbi@dot.ca.gov">dot.ca.gov</a>

The mailing address is 655 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, San Bernardino, CA 92402.

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08-378704		
Inquiry No.	Inquiry/Response	
1.0	Question_1: We would like to request for a bid postponement for at 2 weeks for Contract 08-378704. said contract is supposed to bid on Oct. 21, 2010 but it conflicts with several projects we are currently working on, SR-91 Design Build pre-qualification (\$664 M), Pipeline project (\$60 M), as well as other projects bidding after Oct.21, 2010.	
	Response: Bid Opening Date remains unchanged. Please bid as per current contract document.	
2.0	Question_2: Will As-built be made available for this project? Specifically related to existing abutment footing elevation and bent pile information.	
	Response: Per Section 5-1.12, "Supplemental Project Information," (page 20) of the special provisions, bridge as-built drawings are available as specified in the Standard Specifications. Refer to Section 2-1.03B, "Supplemental Project Information," (page 11 of 282) of the Amendments to the Standard Specifications for instructions on how to obtain bridge as-built drawings. Bid per the current contract bid documents.	
3.0	Question_3: This project is located within the Colorado River Indian Tribes (CRIT) reservation.  According to the CRIT website, http://www.crit-nsn.gov, any project within CRIT jurisdiction is subject to their Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO) requirements:	
	The Tribal Employment Rights Title applies to all employers or contractors conducting business within the Colorado River Reservation including: The Council and all its programs, departments, and chartered entities or enterprises; private employers and independent contractors and subcontractors, including those performing work for the Council, any State Government, or the United States.	
	Among the many requirements of this code are local Indian employment preferences, and an Employment Rights Fee which is currently 2% of contract value with a proposed amendment to increase it to 3.5%.	
	A copy of the TERO compliance plan is available at:	

	http://www.crit-nsn.gov/crittero/tero-compliance-plan.pdf
	The CRIT Tribal Labor code outlining the TERO provisions including the proposed
	amendments can be found at: <a href="http://www.crit-nsn.gov/crit">http://www.crit-nsn.gov/crit</a> contents/notices/D3-Labor-Code-Amendments 022410.pdf
	A notice of public hearing on the proposed amendments including the fee increase is posted at: <a href="http://www.crit-nsn.gov/crit_contents/notices/labor-code-public-hearing.pdf">http://www.crit-nsn.gov/crit_contents/notices/labor-code-public-hearing.pdf</a>
	Will the contractor be required to comply with the CRIT TERO plan including payment of the fee, or is this project somehow exempt from these rules?
	Response: TERO does not apply for this project.
4.0	Special Provisions Specific: The cost of flagging and inspection provided by Railroad during the period of constructing that portion of the project located on or near Railroad property, as deemed necessary for the protection of Railroad's facilities and trains, will be borne by the State for a period of 85 working days beginning on the date work commences on or near property of Railroad. The Contractor shall pay to the State liquidated damages in the sum of \$500 per day for each day in excess of the above 620 working days the Contractor works on or near Railroad property, and which requires flagging protection of Railroad's facilities and trains.
	Question_4: In reference to section 13-1.03 "Protection of Railroad Facilities" stated above will the state continue to pay flagging costs beyond 85 days or will the contractor be responsible for railroad flagging costs beyond 85 working days? And if yes, what item will that be paid under?
	Response: The State will bear the cost of flagging per service contract and the contractor will be accountable for liquidated damages if work exceeds the number of specified days
5.0	Question_5: In Reference to sheet 83 (Q-1) Summary of Quantities "Roadway Quantities - HMA Type A". There are quantities for Temporary AC Station 7510+76.13 to 7515+76.13 (457.3 ton) and 7541+67.8 to 7546+67.8 (457.3 ton). Please provide a typical section for these areas.
	Response: Pending
6.0	Question_6: Is there a requirement for reinforcing steel sub-contractors to be licensed in both California and Arizona?
	Response: They should be licensed in both California and Arizona.
7.0	Question_7: Special Provision 5-1.12 states that the Cross Sections are available at the District Office. Who are what department do we contact at District 8 for the Cross Sections? When we contacted them they advised that we had to ask the question thru the pre-bid inquiry process.
	Response: Pending
8.0	Question_8: Is it possible to post the project plans in a PDF that isn't password protected? I am trying to split the PDF up into smaller sections, to do some digital Takeoff but because the PDF is password protected we are unable to. This prevents us from uploading images to autocad, etc.
	Response: Pending